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D I N N E R

WEDNESDAY, April 12 --- Toots Shor's, 51 West 51st Street
Cocktails at 7 PM ----- Buffet Begins at 7:30 PM
\$3.50 --- Tip and Tax Included ----- \$4.00 for Guests

MY FIGHT TO SAVE VOEGLER

by

MORRIS L. ERNST

When Communists early this year arrested Robert Voegler, an American working in Hungary, his employers, the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, retained the distinguished lawyer, Morris Ernst, as his attorney. Ernst left immediately to defend his client. But it was not that easy; the Hungarian Government refused to admit Ernst. So the former personal assistant to President Roosevelt and Government advisor had to make his fight from Vienna. In this stirring account of his efforts to aid Voegler, Ernst will expose the methods adopted by Iron Curtain countries to prevent due course of justice. He will chronicle the means by which Communist-dominated courts make a travesty of fair play. In addition to his legal prowess, Ernst is also noted for his talent as a speaker.

OFFICIAL

Television Committee Meeting.....	Clubrooms.....	Monday, April 10, 5:30 PM
Admissions Committee Meeting.....	Clubrooms.....	Tuesday, April 11, 5:45 PM
Speakers Committee Meeting.....	Clubrooms.....	Thursday, April 13, 5:45 PM

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NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL ELECTION ANNOUNCED

EUGENE LYONS, Chairman of the Nominations Committee (which includes WYTHE WILLIAMS, LUCIAN S. KIRTLAND, BEACH CONGER, MARY HORNADAY, JOSEPH LEVY and WILLIAM DOERFLINGER) this week announced the Committee had selected the following persons as candidates for the Annual Election to be held on Thursday, April 20, at Toots Shor's Restaurant:

For President - - - - - LOUIS P. LOCHNER, author and lecturer

For Vice Presidents - - - - - JOHN CHARLES DALY, radio and television commentator
ADELAIDE KERR, Associated Press correspondent
REAVIS O'NEAL, vice president, Carl Byoir & Associates

For Secretary - - - - - RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Associate Editor, Coronet Magazine

For Treasurer - - - - - LEO BRANHAM, World Desk, Associated Press

For the Board of Governors - - HAL BOYLE, Associated Press columnist
LAWRENCE BLOCHMAN, author and writer
TEMPLE FIELDING, magazine writer
RALPH JULES FRANTZ, New York Herald Tribune
HENRY GELLERMANN, Transradio Press financial editor
WILLIAM P. GRAY, senior editor, Life
VICTOR LASKY, writer, New York World-Telegram and Sun
PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE, Carl Byoir & Associates
BEATRICE MATHIEU, New Yorker magazine
CORNELIUS J. RYAN, Newsweek magazine
GERALDINE SARTAIN, public relations, YWCA
JOSEPH WURZEL, picture editor, Look magazine

President FRANK KELLEY also announced that other nominations for Club officers will be solicited from the membership at the Annual Meeting. Although the Nominations Committee voted to adopt only one slate, regular procedure provides for the placing of names of other candidates in nomination. This will definitely be encouraged, KELLEY said.

The outgoing administration also urgently requests members to submit suggestions prior to the Annual Meeting for the composition of various Committees. Members may either volunteer themselves or recommend colleagues for particular posts.

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SAM WELLES of Time. Quincy Howe will moderate. (WCBS-TV, Channel 2, Sunday, April 9, 5:00-5:30 PM).

After 35 years as an AP Latin-America, JOHN EVANS is co City bureau and will soon trip of Europe with his wife. Afterwards they will live in California. Recently the EVANS were feted by their Mexican friends and presented with a silver cigarette box by local foreign correspondents...Replacing EVANS as AP bureau chief is RICHARD MASSOCK, a veteran reporter recently stationed in Venezuela and Chile...ISAAC DON LEVINE of Plain Talk just flashes from Berlin that he was probably the first anti-Communist American newsmen to venture into Red-held territory; he attended a two-hour press conference held by Communist propaganda chief Albert Norden and learned of new twists in the Soviet campaign to drive the Western allies from Berlin.

ON THE OVERSEAS BEAT

correspondent in Europe and retiring as chief of the Mexi- take off for a leisurely motor

BONN DATELINE: Deputy PR chief for HICOG JACK M. FLEISCHER reports from Bonn that American correspondents in Germany are living in a split-personality world; they hurtle back and forth between Bonn and Frankfurt as stories break in one place or the other. Most still live in Frankfurt and maintain offices there (except those more or less permanently stationed in Berlin) but some have settled down in Bonn...Pioneer settler in Bonn was Newsweek's Charles Brown. DON COOK of the New York Herald Tribune is nearby. Although more and more Allied newsmen are converging on Bonn, housing conditions present a terrible bottleneck. FLEISCHER alternates between the Allied High Commission headquarters in the one-time Petersburg luxury hotel perched on a hill above Koenigswinter and a press liaison office in Bonn. He suggests any OPC members in the neighborhood drop in on him at Fasanenstrasse 5 in Bad Godesberg...

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NBC's H.V. KALTENBORN and ABC's ELMER DAVIS appeared on LAWRENCE SPIVAK's "Meet the Press" program over Mutual last Tuesday with Wayne Coy, chairman of the F.C.C....The Club regrets to report that Michael Mountjoy, son of CARROLL COLVIN, was killed in an automobile accident on March 30...GRACE DAVIDSON of the Boston Post was hostess for Col. Serge Obolensky, president of the Sherry-Netherland Hotel of N.Y. at a super party Sunday night at the Ritz Carlton in Boston...A chapter from the Overseas Press Club book, "Men Who Make Your World", on Lavrenti Beria, was reprinted in the March issue of Katholieke Digest, Dutch edition of Catholic Digest...

SUMMER SUBLET FOR RENT: 6-room duplex garden apartment, two baths, newly furnished, from May or June through September. Located in UN Village (Collier's, Feb. 25), 25 minutes by car from mid-Manhattan or north and south shore beaches. \$225 per month including gas and electricity. Call JA. 3-9278 after 6 PM. (P.S.: complete with bar! -- unstocked.)

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PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS

NEW ADVERTISING DIRECTOR of True Movie and Television, published by Toby Press, is DOROTHY OMANSKY...March of Timer RICHARD DE ROCHEMENT, regal in flowing crimson robe, participated in initiation ceremonies at the 10th anniversary dinner of the Noble Confrerie des Chevaliers du Tastevin held recently at the Hotel Pierre...BRUCE JACOBS' new "Baseball Stars of 1950", published by the Magazine Management Company of which he is an editor, carries an introduction by BOB CONSIDINE. JACOBS recently completed a month's swing of the Florida training circuits, hitting ten major league teams...Harper's recently re-issued FRED B. BARTON's "Music As A Hobby", originally published in 1941 and now revised...THREE GOOD SEATS for "The Man", evening April 15, may be had at the Club at reduced prices, courtesy of ROBERT ECKHOUSE.

STATE DEPARTMENT will reprint soon for Japan BEN GROSS' piece, "It's a Radio Program for Democracy", from the April 1 Collier's...Another piece by GROSS, who's radio and TV editor for the New York Daily News, will be published by Collier's soon. Title: "Musical Thoroughbred"....HENRY C. WOLFE's scoop on the Hitler-Stalin pack is mentioned as one of the four great forecasts of a century by Harper's Magazine in announcing their 100th anniversary number...

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JUST IN TOWN from Louisville to lecture on China at Pelham Manor is WELDON JAMES whose piece, "Gold in Them Thar Quills", appears in the current Reader's Digest. The article's all about ostriches JAMES met while trekking across South Africa...Des Moines publicist FRANK MILES (who can proudly point to published epigrams in the current issues of Satevepost, Your Life and American Legion Magazine) is clearing his throat for an ordeal of 10 college and high school commencement addresses next month...CHARLES MORROW WILSON, recovering from pneumonia in Putney, Vt., recently learned that two of his books, "One Half the People" and "Doctors and the Crisis of World Health", will be dramatized over NBC's "Cavalcade of America"....Newcomer to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia is H. J. TIMPERLEY, who's just left his UNESCO post in Paris to take the spot...WILLIAM COSTELLO has switched from CBS's Far Eastern bureau to the network's Washington office...

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"SEEDS OF TREASON", the new book about the Hiss-Chambers affair, by VICTOR LASKY of the New York World-Telegram and the Sun and Ralph de Toledano of Newsweek, was launched this week with an unprecedented promotional campaign in magazines, newspapers and on the radio. Both authors appeared on "The Human Side of the News" and Bert Andrews' Washington commentary on April 1; on April 3 they were heard on Bill Leonard's CBS show, "This Is New York". And on April 5 they made two appearances, one with Nancy Craig's "Woman of Tomorrow", the other on TV's "Author Meets the Critics." The book has also excited considerable newspaper comment...

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ISRAELI, ARABS BOTH RESENT
UN ATTEMPTS TO FORCE POLICY
ON HOLY LAND, CONSIDINE SAYS

the key to Israel's future, which he said was "rosy" despite current obstacles. Much of Israel's hope, CONSIDINE reported, lies in the "generosity of the world's Jewry" and that financial help from the UJA was greatly appreciated. But the Jews in Israel are still wondering why fewer American Jews are coming to Israel when their aid is so badly needed. Right now Israel is handicapped by its own increasing population, CONSIDINE said; it's nearly doubled, while exports are only one-fifth of their imports, all pointing to a tight dollar situation. He reported that his talks with the people convinced him there was no power on earth, fiscal or otherwise, that could stop the Israeli from achieving their goal.

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AN INVITATION TO THE OPC to send delegates to a conference on "The Atomic Era -- Can It Produce Peace and Abundance?" to be held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on April 29 and 30 has been extended by its sponsor, The Nation Associates...Members desiring to represent the Club at this function should apply by letter to President FRANK KELLEY. Detailed information will be provided them.

A 36-PAGE TABLOID SECTION on Egyptian travel and trade, edited by BEACH CONGER and based on his two-weeks trip to Egypt, was issued with the New York Herald Tribune last Sunday... The 16th Annual Headliners' Club award for radio this year went to MERRILL MUELLER for his NBC broadcasts from London...HAL F. LEE, editor of the Pan American, has just been named a member of the interim steering committee of the Inter-American Press Conference, scheduled to be held in New York October 8-12.

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AFTER 15 MONTHS roving about the Middle East, France, Germany, Scandinavia and Spain for MacLean's, GEORGE W. HERALD and his wife will head home this month... MR. AND MRS. ROBERT MAGIDOFF sail for Europe on April 13. MAGIDOFF will travel, study Marshall Plan development, collect article and lecture material and in August conduct a Columbia University Study Tour. He returns to the U.S. in the fall. Also he hopes to finish off soon a second book on Russia...

ACME NEWSPICTURES' BERT BRANDT has just returned to New York from a whirlwind three-week trip through England, Scotland, the Riviera and Monte Carlo, plus short stops in Barcelona, Lisbon and Bermuda...

RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Acting Editor

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